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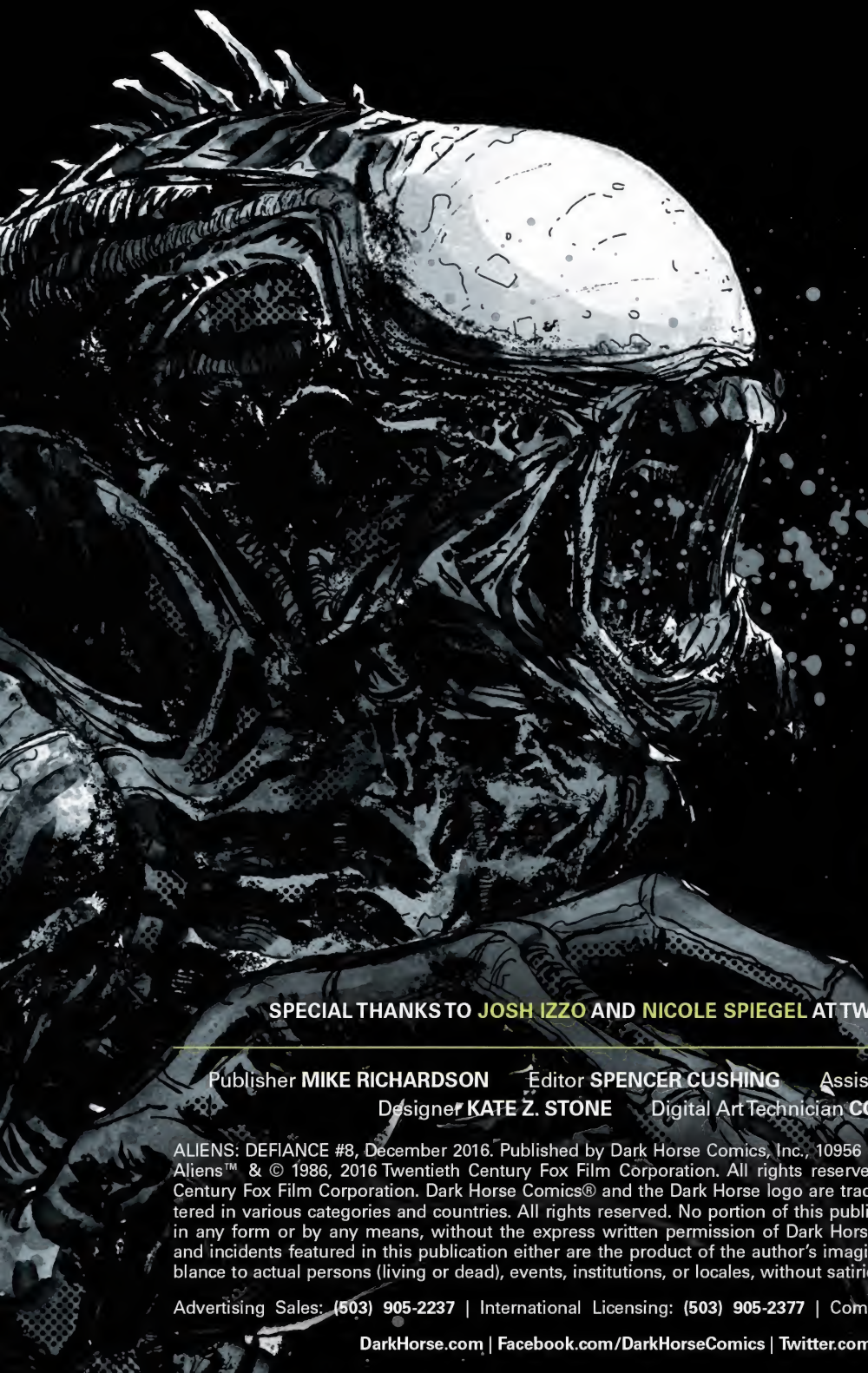
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AFTER THE TRAUMATIC EVENTS OF THE PREVIOUS ISSUE, THE CREW FIGHT A NEW BATTLE ON TWO FRONTS: first, maintaining critical ship systems as everything starts to fail, and second, fighting the creeping sense of fear and panic that haunts even their dreams.



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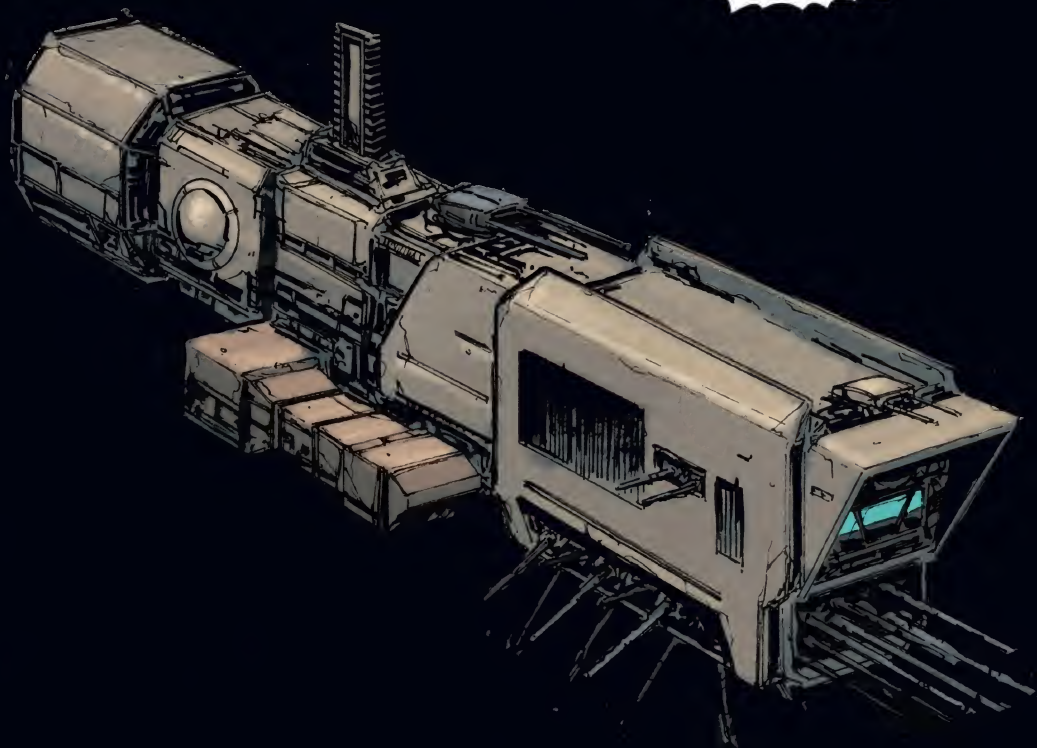
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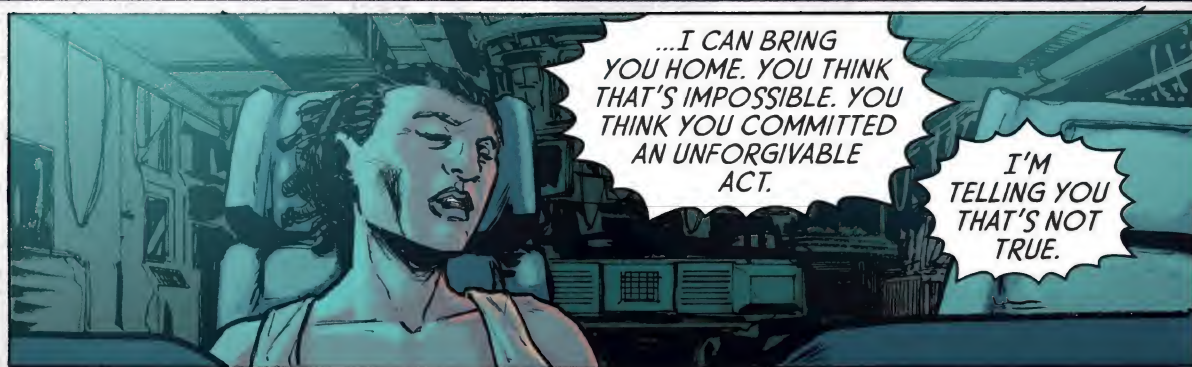
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I MEANT
WHAT I SAID,
ZULA...



...I CAN BRING
YOU HOME. YOU THINK
THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE. YOU
THINK YOU COMMITTED
AN UNFORGIVABLE
ACT.

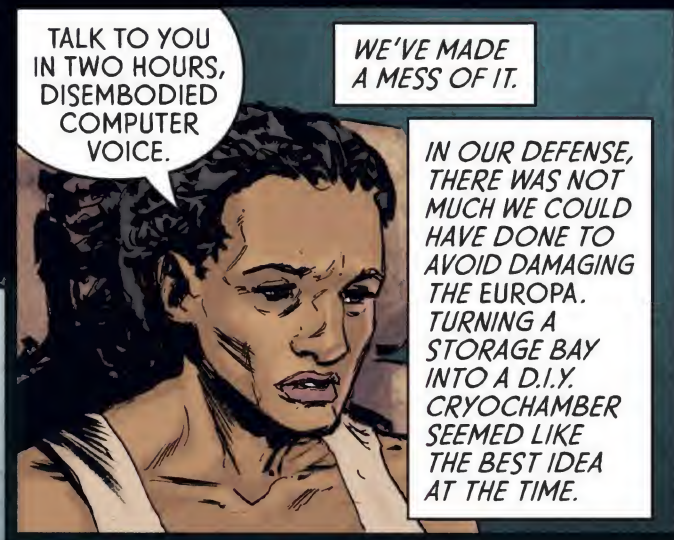
I'M
TELLING YOU
THAT'S NOT
TRUE.



DO
YOU REALIZE HOW
BADLY WEYLAND-YUTANI
WANTS THE ALIEN?

PRIVATE
HENDRICKS,
WAKE UP.



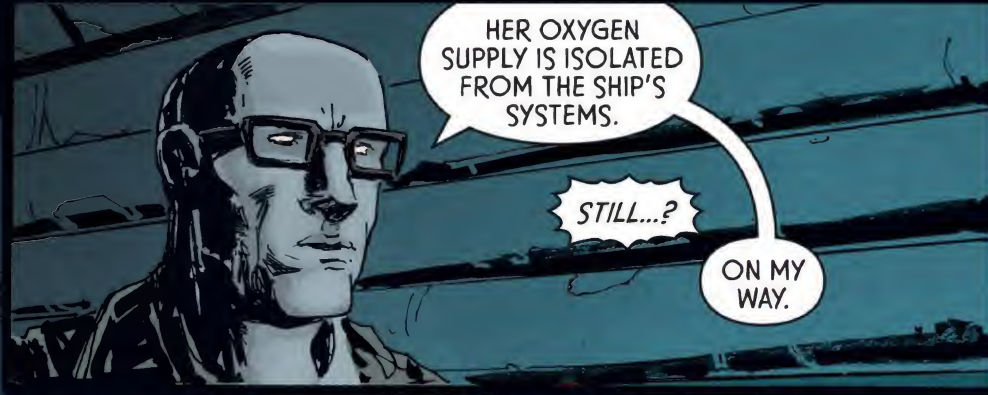
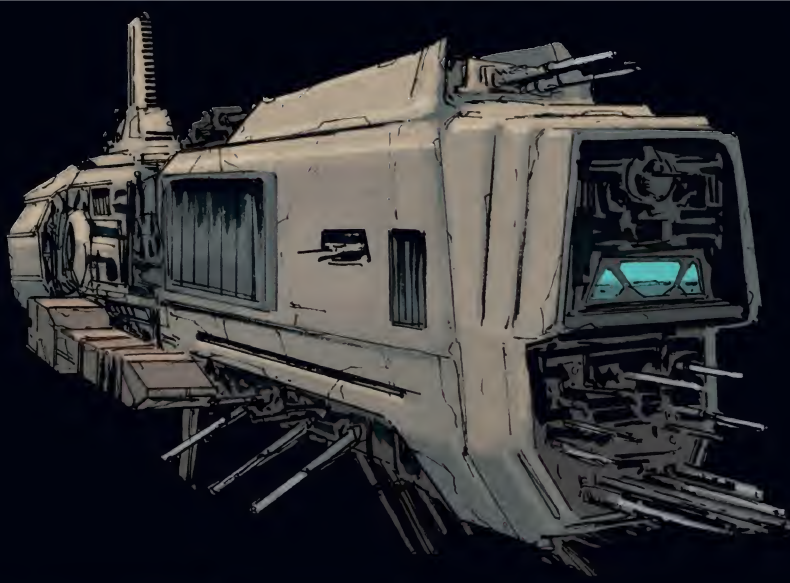




VENTING
THE BUFFERS NOW.
REBOOTING THE
SCRUBBERS.



HOW'S
HOLLIS?



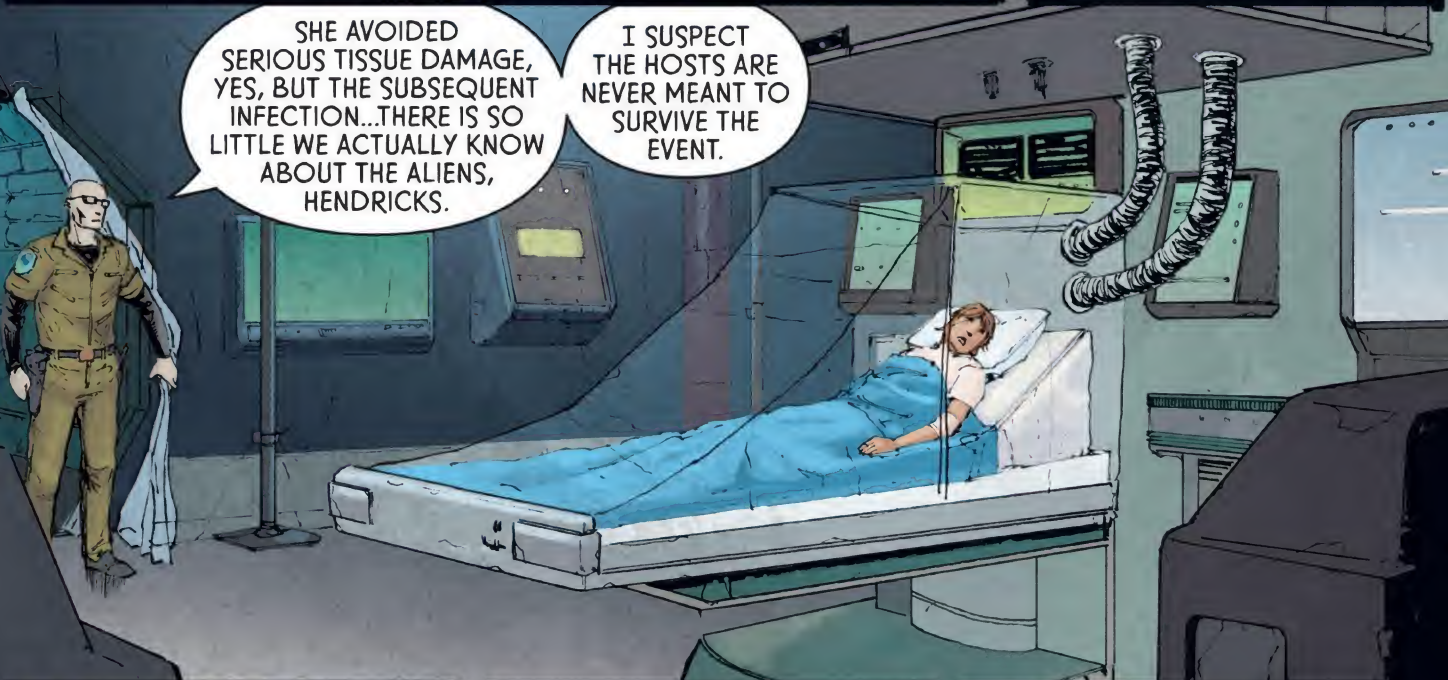
HER OXYGEN
SUPPLY IS ISOLATED
FROM THE SHIP'S
SYSTEMS.

STILL...?

ON MY
WAY.



SHE SEEMED
FINE AFTER THE
PROCEDURE...



SHE AVOIDED
SERIOUS TISSUE DAMAGE,
YES, BUT THE SUBSEQUENT
INFECTION...THERE IS SO
LITTLE WE ACTUALLY KNOW
ABOUT THE ALIENS,
HENDRICKS.

I SUSPECT
THE HOSTS ARE
NEVER MEANT TO
SURVIVE THE
EVENT.



THE FACT DR.
HOLLIS IS STILL
ALIVE MAY BE A
VICTORY ALL
ON ITS OWN.

CHECK
HER MIX?



IT'S WITHIN
TOLERANCES.



COPY
THAT. THANK
YOU.

SCRUBBERS
BACK ONLINE. GOOD
TO GO FOR ANOTHER
COUPLE HOURS,
DAVIS.

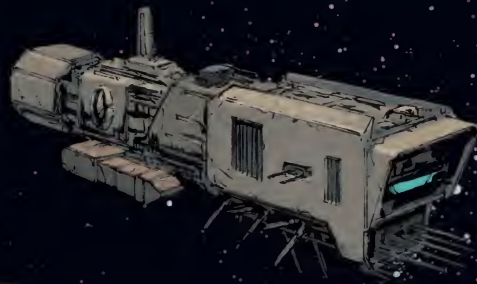
DARK HORSE COMICS AND 20th CENTURY FOX PRESENT

GET SOME
SLEEP, ZULA. I'M
GOING ZERO G
FOR REPAIRS.



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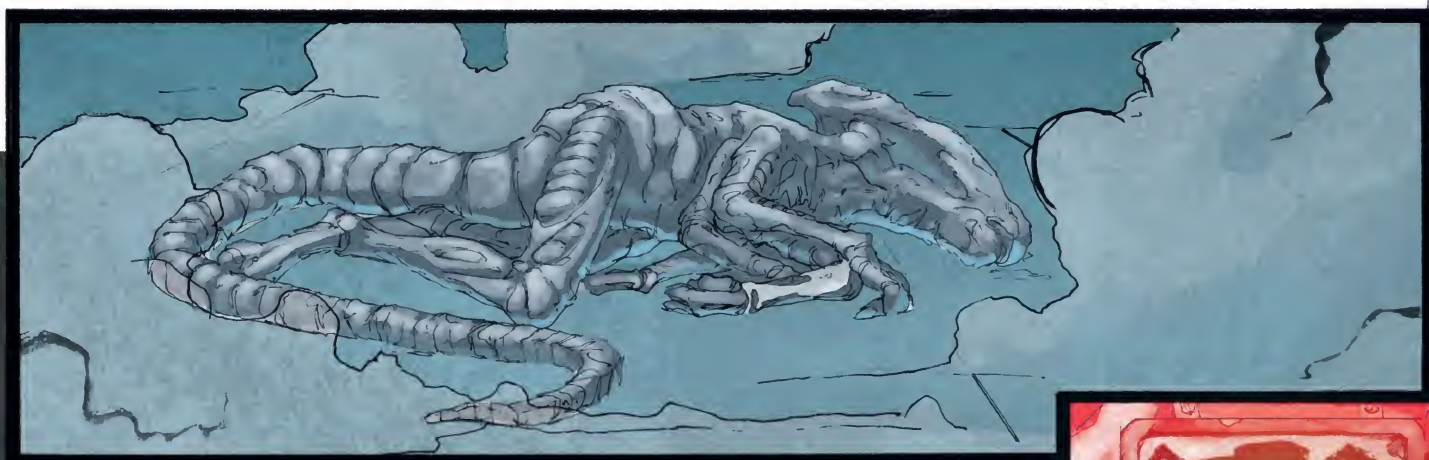
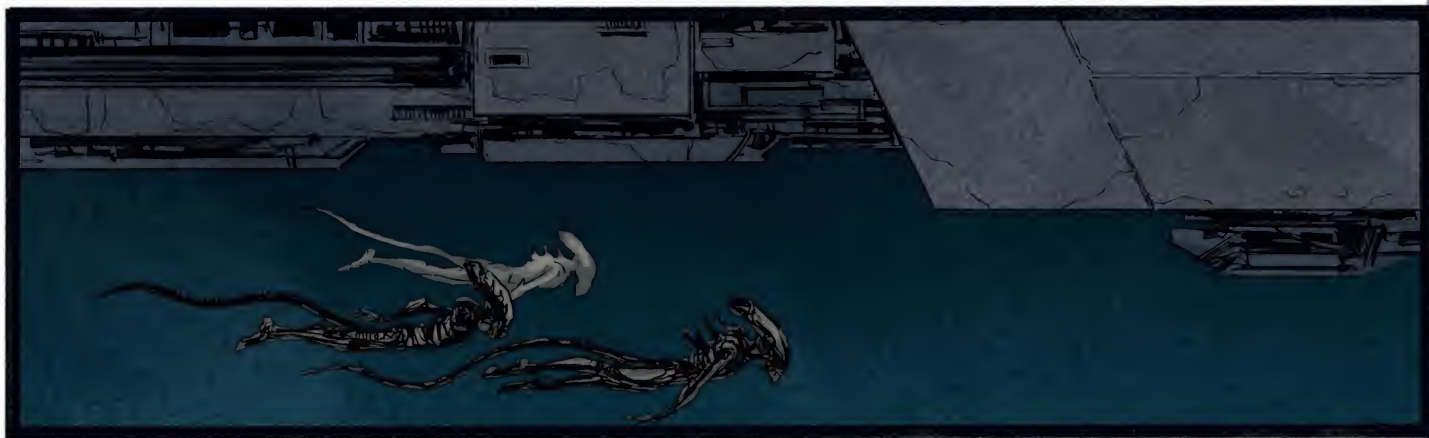
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LET ME
TELL YOU HOW
THIS CAN WORK,
ZULA.





KNOCK YOURSELF OUT.

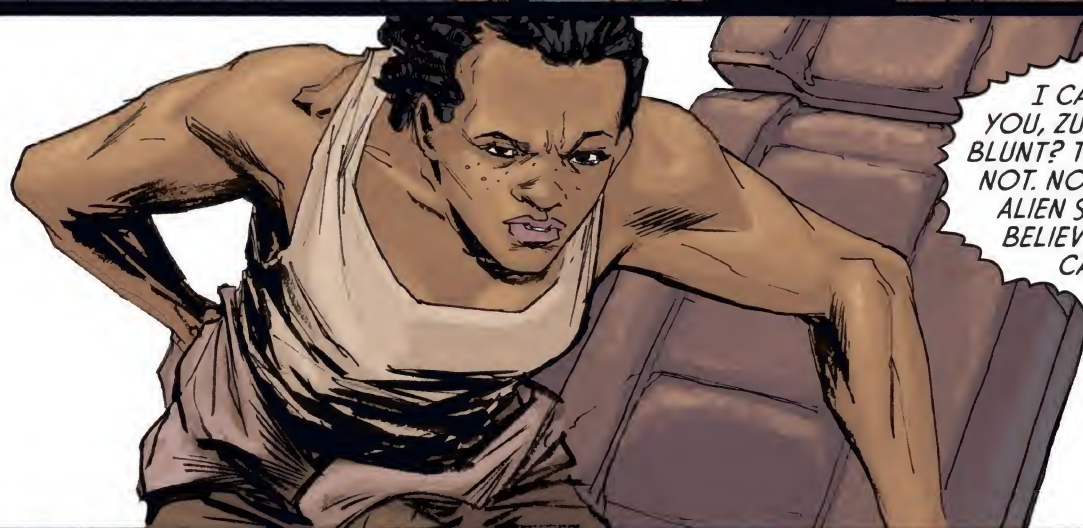
I'VE EXPLAINED TO YOU ALREADY HOW MY AUTHORITY AS YOUR PHYSICIAN SUPERSEDES MILITARY AUTHORITY. I'VE TAKEN THE LIBERTY OF NEGOTIATING RETURN CONDITIONS ON YOUR BEHALF.



COMPUTER, WHAT HAPPENED TO MY ALARM?

MANUAL SCRUB NOT REQUIRED FOR FORTY-FIVE MINUTES.

SO I'M EARLY.



I CARE ABOUT YOU, ZULA, BUT TO BE BLUNT? THE MARINES DO NOT. NOT BEYOND THE ALIEN SAMPLES THEY BELIEVE YOU TO BE CARRYING.



UH-HUH.

YOU HOLD YOUR OWN "GET OUT OF JAIL FREE" CARD. ALL THAT'S REQUIRED IS TO SHOW UP AND USE IT.



FORTY-FIVE MINUTES. COMPUTER, ALERT ME IN THIRTY.

CHART A COURSE BACK TO LUNA USING THE ATTACHED VECTOR STRING. I'VE BEEN ASSURED OF YOUR SAFE PASSAGE ON TO EARTH.

IF I'M NOT SUFFOCATED FIRST.

SICK OF SITTING ON THE BRIDGE. IT'S WORTH USING A FEW OF MY REMAINING PAINKILLERS TO TRY AND TRACK DOWN THIS TOXIC LEAK.



DAVIS?



COMPUTER,
WHERE'S
DAVIS?

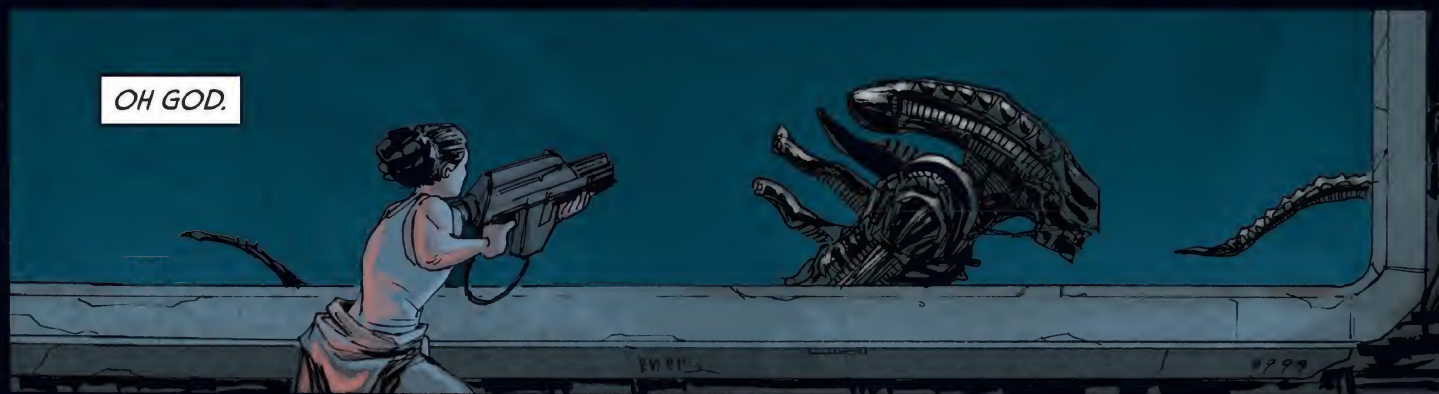
...COMPUTER?



GREAT.

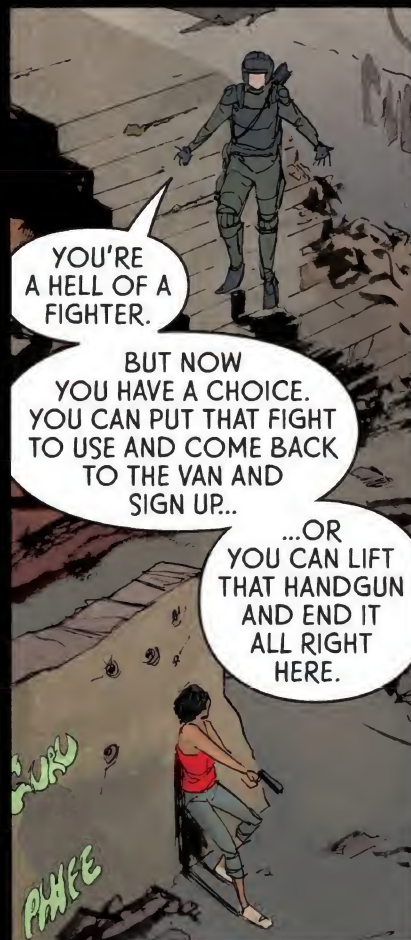
SO NOTHING
WORKS AROUND
HERE.







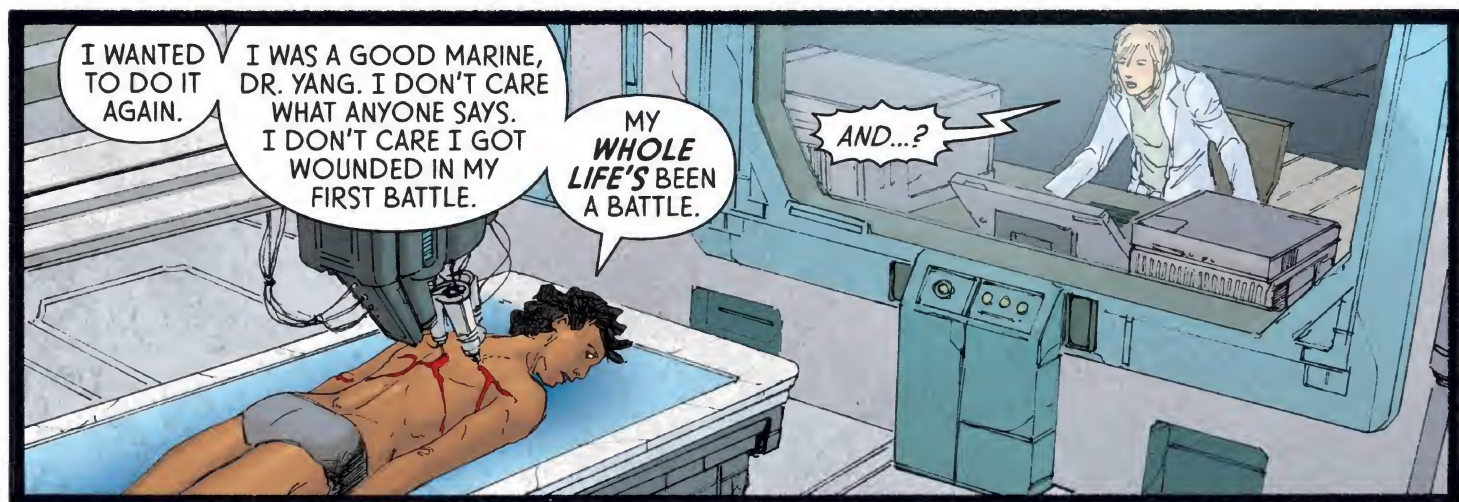






THAT SOLDIER DIDN'T GROW UP AROUND THERE. HE COULDN'T TALK TO ME ABOUT SURVIVAL.

FAR AS I WAS CONCERNED, I WON THE DAY.



I WANTED TO DO IT AGAIN.

I WAS A GOOD MARINE, DR. YANG. I DON'T CARE WHAT ANYONE SAYS. I DON'T CARE I GOT WOUNDED IN MY FIRST BATTLE.

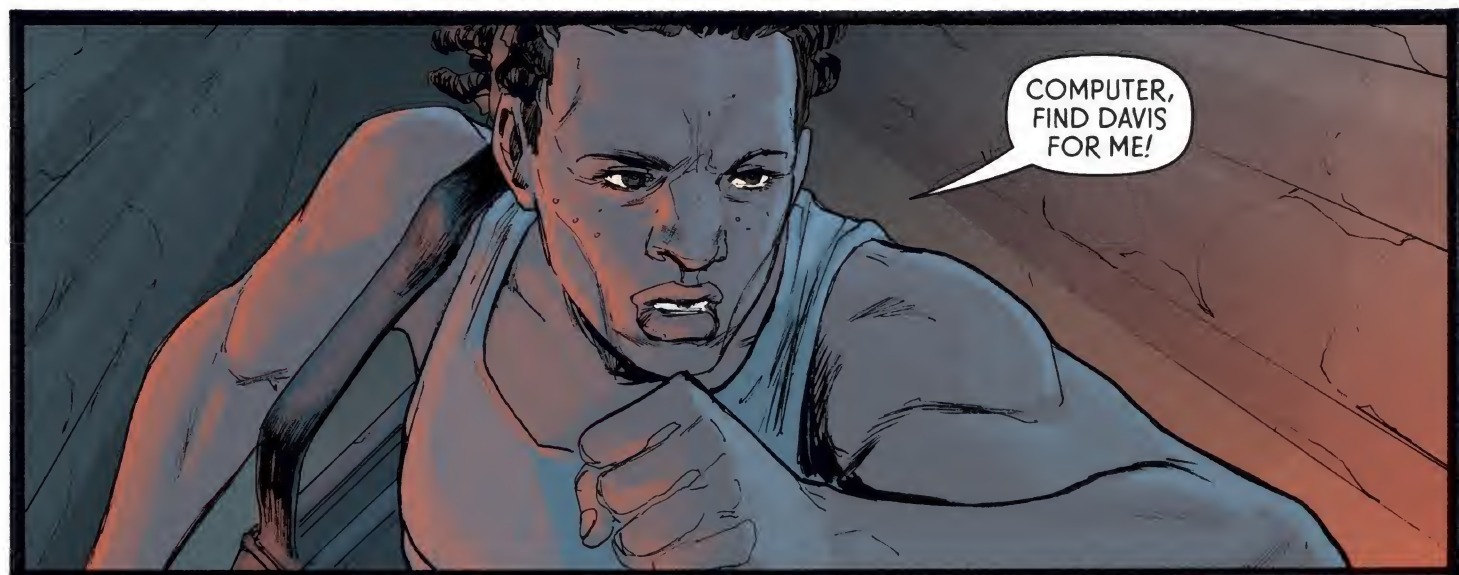
MY *WHOLE* LIFE'S BEEN A BATTLE.

AND...?

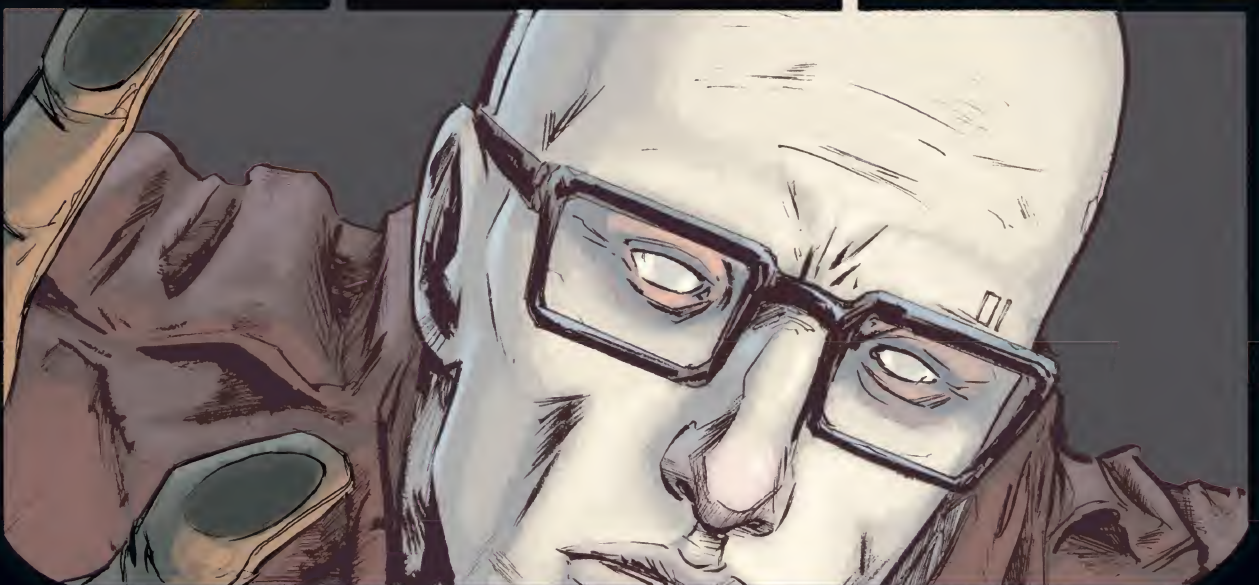


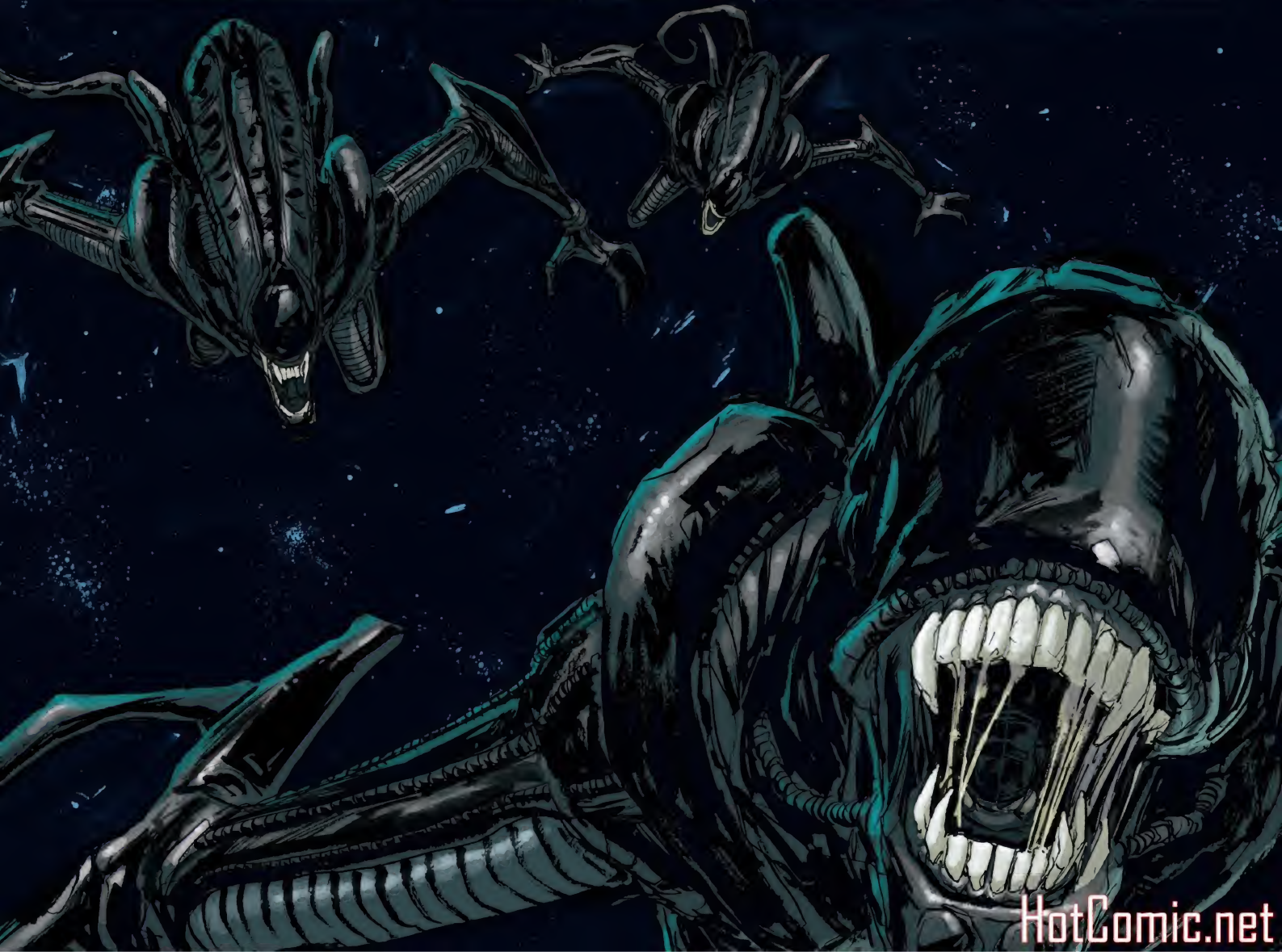
"NOW YOU HAVE THIS PLAN FOR ME TO **SURRENDER**. I'LL NEVER BE A MARINE AGAIN."

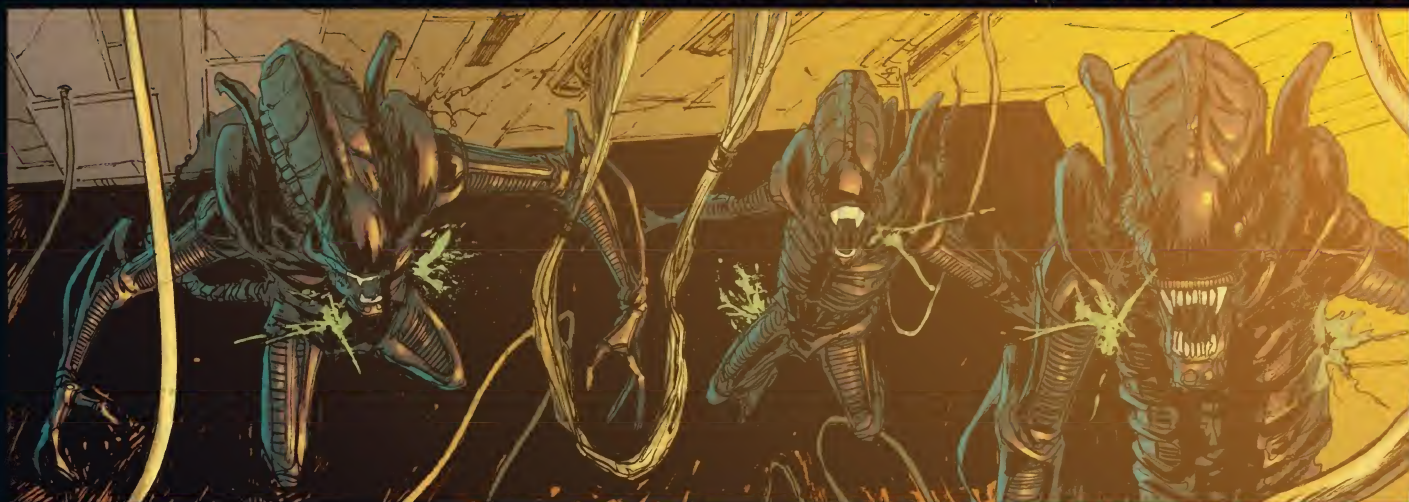
YOU'LL BE ALIVE. YOU CAN PROVE YOURSELF AGAIN.

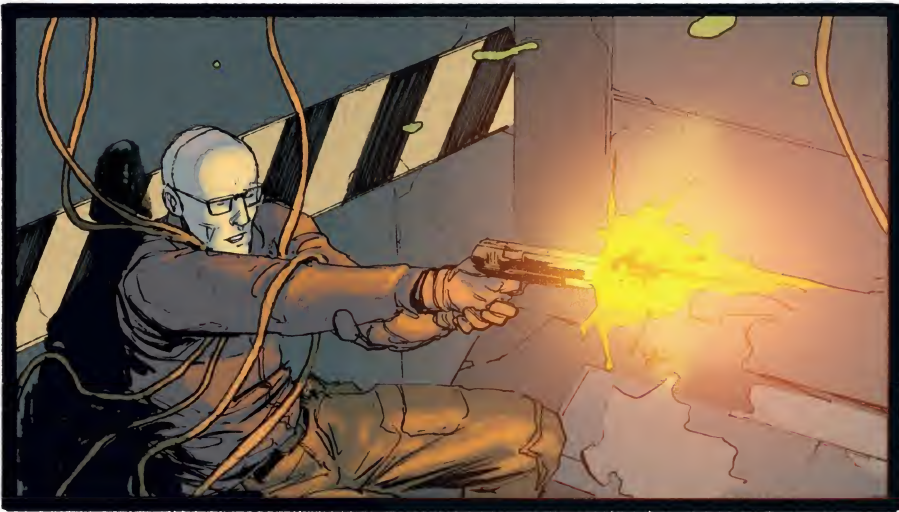


COMPUTER, FIND DAVIS FOR ME!

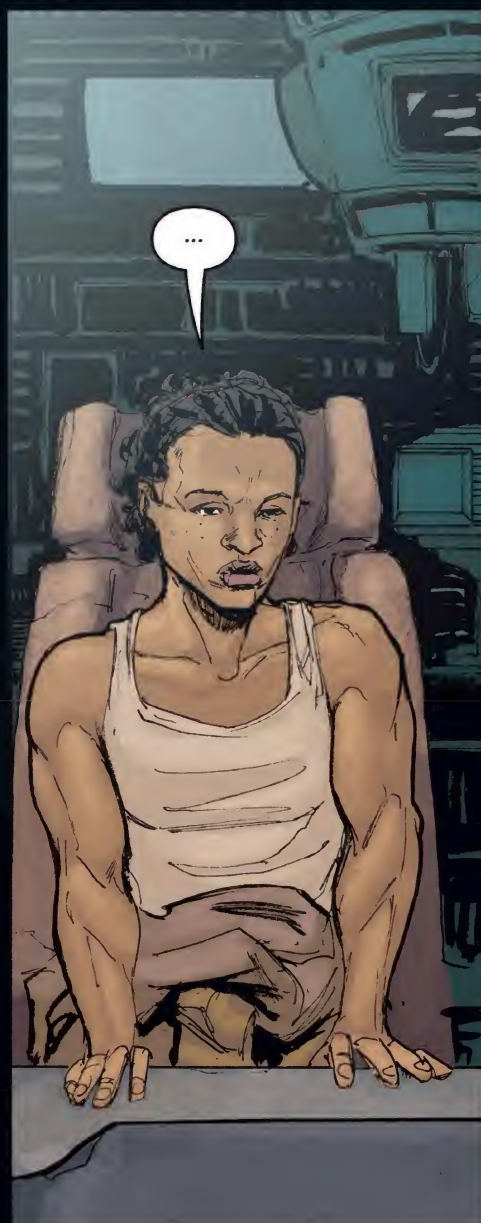








PRIVATE
HENDRICKS?



YOU HAVE
FOUR HOURS
UNTIL THE NEXT
SCRUB.

GET
SOME SLEEP,
ZULA.

THE HELL
WITH THAT.

...HAVE
YOU TOLD
DAVIS?

HE'S BEEN TRYING TO FIX
THE ENVIRONMENTAL LEAK FOR
DAYS. HE NEEDS TO RECOGNIZE
THAT THE PEOPLE ABOARD THE
SHIP WHO ACTUALLY *BREATHE*
FOR A LIVING CAN'T GO
ON LIKE THIS.

EARTH.

HAVE YOU
BEEN?

NOT SINCE
I WAS A REALLY
LITTLE KID. IS
IT NICE?

IT
CAN BE.

YOU HAVE TO
TALK TO DAVIS.
YOU HAVE TO
INCLUDE
HIM.

HE'S MORE HUMAN NOW
THAN YOU THINK HE IS. I TOOK
A LOOK AT THE CODE HE'S
BEEN WRITING FOR
HIMSELF.

I KNOW.
WE HAD A MOMENT
NOT TOO LONG AGO.
I OWE HIM A
TALK.

...IT'S
JUST...



